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SUBJECT: GERMAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY EFFORT IN TUDISIA

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1. OPIC WOULD LIKE TO CLARIFY A POINT IN REF B PARA 7 WHICH APPARENTLY CAUSED CONFUSION. OPIC WILL NOT BE FUNDING ANY INVESTMENT ADVISORS IN EGYPT OR U.S. OPIC IS MERELY GIVING ADVICE FROM ITS EXPERIENCE TO U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

2. EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT PRESENTLY HAS A DELEGATION OF 16 OFFICIALS TOURING U.S. THIS DELEGATION PAID A VISIT TO TIP REP ENNIFAR IN NEW YORK CITY ON SEPTEMBER 22 TO DISCUSS TUNISIAN APPROACH IN US. AS WELL AS ROLE OF INVESTMENT ADVISOR HOEVELER IN TUNIS.

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3. OPIC FINANCE OFFICER TREADWELL MET FORMER ECON OFFICER ALAN LOGAN AND GOT BRIEF VERBAL INPUT ON SUBJECT ON SEPTEMBER 24.

4. OPIC DESIRES INPUT FROM EMBASSY ON SPECIFIC ELEMENTS OF SUCCESS. WHAT IS PRESENT STAFFING OF DEG IN TUNIS? DO THE DEG OFFICIALS MAKE APPOINTMENTS FOR VISITING GERMAN BUSINESSMEN? DO THEY HAVE THEIR OWN AUTO? DOES API FUND ANY OF THE EFFORT? DOES API HAVE A GERMAN SPEAKING TUNISIAN DIVISION DIRECTOR EQUIVALENT TO MR. KRICHENE? HOW MANY TELEPHONES AND TELEXES DO DEG OFFICIALS HAVE FOR THEIR USE?

5. OPIC RECOGNIZES TIME CONSTRAINTS ON EMBASSY IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS PARA 4 DUE TO PREPARATION FOR JC. KISSINGER

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